Nettle News

Nettle Middle School... *Home of the Knights!* **February 5, 2023**



Important Dates

Wednesday, February 1
Grade 5 is sponsoring a Movie Night
(4:30 -6:30)
Wednesday, Feb 8
Early Release Day - MCAS Practice
Thursday, Feb 9
Cheerleading Expo Haverhill High
Thursday Feb 9
School Dance PTO

Thursday Feb 9
Academic Bowl Competition (9-10:30
Nettle Cafe)
Monday, Feb 13
PTO Meeting 6-7
Tuesday Feb 14
Progress Reports Post
Thursday, Feb 16
Parent teacher conferences (4:30 - 6:30)

ATHLETICS



Volleyball Team Tryouts: Girls Feb 6

Boys Feb 7 & Feb 9

3-4:30. Participants need to have a ride to pick them up from Nettle at 4:30.

All participants should wear sneakers and athletic clothing and report directly to the gym after school. Floor Hockey Club Games on Fridays Ask Mr. Cote for permission slips

From the Principal's Desk

Please have your students charge their chromebooks at night (especially Sunday night).

Progress reports will be posted on Schoolbrains on Tuesday, February 14 and Parent Conferences will be on February 16 from 4:30 - 6:30.

Coach Jess (wonderful parent volunteer) would love for you to come out on February 9th to support the Nettle Cheerleaders in their City-wide competition - 6:00 Haverhill High School gym (\$3 for adults, students are free).

If you haven't already - please consider filling out this short anonymous <u>Parent Survey</u>

Nettle families! Thursday, February 9th is Nettle Academic Bowl's first home competition. We would love families to attend. It is from approximately 9am-10:30am. The senior team (7th & 8th graders) will go first. We hope to see you there!

From the Guidance Department

The LEAD program is in the process of starting a food pantry at Nettle School. We are currently collecting food donations to stock the pantry. Before continuing our collection, we want to reach out to our students and families so our supplies accurately reflect the needs of the community. If you are interested in receiving food/toiletry items for your family, please complete the Google Form below.

https://forms.gle/SC6sy4YGKZwaYN1f8

We would like to get our pantry up and running ASAP but want to have an idea of the needs of our families first.

Please email us if you have any questions - nettlefoodpantry@gmail.com.

The deadline to apply to the Career Technical Education program at HHS is February 17th. Please let me know if you have any questions.

On **February 15** we will be doing a Needs Assessment Survey for grade 7 students.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs.Crowley at mcrowley@haverhill-ps.org

Grade 8 Washington DC Fundraising Update

We were able to get Wednesday March 8th for a restaurant fundraiser at <u>G's</u> downtown. They will donate 20% of the evening proceeds to the D.C. trip. We will have a flier that can be shared with Nettle families. This is minimal effort- just spread the word and encourage your family/friends to eat there or get takeout on the 8th.

Matt Souza is organizing a Red Sox fundraiser.

Remote DC Meeting next Tuesday at 4pm

From the ELA specialist

February is Black History Month! It is a month to honor and pay tribute to the achievements and struggles of African Americans in U.S. history. Check out these books for Black History Month:

One Crazy Summer, by Rita Williams Garcia

The Lions of Little Rock, by Kristin Levine

Bud, Not Buddy, by Christopher Paul Curtis

The Watsons Go to Birmingham, by Christopher Paul Curtis

Roll of Thunder, Hear Me Cry, by Mildred D. Taylor

Brown Girl Dreaming, by Jacqueline Woodson

From Math Specialist

Here is a nice article showing how you can foster a growth mindset at home: 5 Tips for Parents – Developing a Growth Mindset

From the HEA

Valentine's Day is coming and the HEA (Haverhill Educators' Association) is doing a Food Drive from February 1-14. Please donate any non-perishable items to your teacher at drop off or the office.

Please keep checking the Nettle Middle School website for updates. nettle.haverhill-ps.org Contact Eileen Doherty eileen.doherty@haverhill-ps.org